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Posted: **Wed Nov 16, 2016 1:39 pm**

by **DGreenwoodSanchez**

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thank you kindly,

David

Re: Standards for publication

Posted: **Wed Nov 16, 2016 6:13 pm**

by **essimmons**

David's questions are a good reminder of the importance of this process. The lack of guidance and clarity around what kinds of standards journals will use for ethnography is creating real anxiety among graduate students in particular. A number are afraid to employ the method as they are worried they won't be able to comply with new transparency standards if they do.

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